

Galatians 1:11-2:5

Message Outline

I. Context

- a. "not that there is another one (gospel), but there are some who trouble you and want to distort the Gospel of Christ." (1:7)

II. THIS MATTERS! IT IS OF THE HIGHEST IMPORTANCE!

III. The Issue of Paul's Motive and Message (1:10-12)

- a. Issue in question: Did Paul deliberately dilute his message to suit his audience in order to gain status among them?

IV. Paul's Conversion (1:13-17)

- a. Paul had a direct encounter with the Risen Christ (Acts 9)
- b. Therefore, Paul's gospel was not second hand information, but first hand revelation!

V. Paul's visits to Jerusalem (1:18-24)

Implications of Paul's Conversion:

1. Revealed that Judaism was man-pleasing, not Paul's Gospel
2. Revealed that Judaism failed to produce righteousness which it promised.

VI. Paul goes back to Jerusalem

- a. "But we did not yield in subjection to them for even an hour, so that the truth of the Gospel might remain with you."

VII. The Gospel must be constantly preserved from the work of the enemy inside and outside the church.

- a. WHY? Because the Gospel brings freedom.

VIII. Time of Reflection:

- a. Where are you adding to the Gospel?
- b. Where are you standing on a slippery slope of allowing culture to speak into the Gospel?
- c. Ask the Lord to reveal these things to you and meet you in this place.